

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VII 901 NORTH 5TH STREET KANSAS CITY, KANSAS 66101

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

James Haines President and CEO Westar Energy, Inc. 818 South Kansas Avenue Topeka, Kansas 66612

Re:

Supplemental Request for Information Pursuant to Section 114(a) of the Clean Air Act Regarding EPA's Coal-fired Power Plant Investigations

Regarding EFA's Coal-mod I ower I fain investigation

Dear Mr. Haines:

This supplemental request is made pursuant to Section 114(a) of the Clean Air Act (CAA or the Act), 42 U.S.C. § 7414(a). Under Section 114(a) of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. 7414(a), the Administrator of EPA is authorized to require any person who owns and/or operates an emission source to establish and maintain records, make reports and provide such other information as he may reasonably require for the purposes of determining whether such person is in violation of any provision of the Act.

The EPA hereby requires Westar Energy to provide this additional information as part of an EPA investigation to determine the CAA compliance status of the Jeffrey and Lawrence Energy Centers. This request supplements earlier Information Requests dated December 4, 2002, April 10, 2003, and December 8, 2003.

You are required to respond to the following questions for Units 1-3 at the Jeffrey Energy Center and for Unit 5 at the Lawrence Energy Center for the period January, 1980, to the present and for each calendar year and/or other time period specified for the applicable projects listed in Enclosure 2.

For each of the boiler and turbine operating factors listed below, provide values for the operating factors for the (i) original, as built operation, (ii) current operation, (iii) operation immediately prior to and (iv) operation immediately following the project for each project listed in Enclosure 2. Include all documentation and correspondence, including but not limited to engineering calculations and contract specifications, used in selecting the values and/or as otherwise specified below.



- a. Steam flow rate, steam temperature and pressure
 - 1. Maximum hourly
 - 2. Sustained;
- b. Maximum hourly heat input capacity and an explanation of the assumptions made to determine this maximum heat capacity to include, but not limited to, the coal heat content in BTU/lb and the maximum hourly coal feed rate in lbs/hr;
- c. Gross hourly megawatt (MW) capacity;
- d. Net hourly MW capacity;
- e. Net heat rate in BTU/KWHR; and
- f. Emissions, stated in terms of lbs/mmBTU and lbs/hr for pollutants NOx, SO2, CO, PM, PM10 and Air Toxics (Pb/Hg/HCl/Other) for conditions (i)-(iv) above for each project listed in Enclosure 2.

You must submit the response to this information request within thirty (30) calendar days after your receipt of this letter. This information should be submitted to:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 Air Permitting and Compliance Branch (ARTD/APCO) 901 North 5th Street Kansas City, Kansas 66101 Attention: Jon Knodel.

If you anticipate being unable to respond fully to this request within the time period specified, you must submit a sworn declaration by a responsible corporate official within 20 calendar days after your receipt of this letter, specifying what information will be provided within the time specified, describing what efforts have been/are being made to obtain other responsive information and providing a detailed schedule of when such other responsive information can be provided. Upon receipt and based upon such declaration, EPA may extend the time in which responsive information must be provided.

Your response to this requested information must be certified by a duly authorized officer or agent of Westar Energy by signing the enclosed <u>Statement of Certification</u> (see Enclosure 3) and returning it with your response. All information submitted in response to this request must be certified as true, correct, accurate, and complete by an individual with sufficient knowledge and authority to make such representations on behalf of Westar Energy.

A knowing submittal of false information in response to this request may be actionable under Section 113(c)(2) of the CAA, as well as 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and 1341. Westar Energy should also

be aware that a failure to comply fully with the terms of this request may subject it to an enforcement action under Section 113 of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. § 7413.

This letter in no way affects the obligations of Westar Energy to comply with other local, State and Federal laws and regulations. In addition, nothing in this letter shall be construed to be a waiver by EPA of any rights or remedies under the Clean Air Act.

The information requested herein must be provided notwithstanding its possible characterization as confidential information or trade secrets. Westar Energy may assert a confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information requested, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §2.203(b) by attaching to such information at the time it is submitted, a cover sheet, stamped or typed legend, or other suitable form of notice employing language such as "trade secret," "proprietary," or "company confidential." Information covered by such a claim will be disclosed by the EPA only to the extent and only by means of the procedures set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If no such claim accompanies the information when it is received by the EPA, it may be made available to the public without further notice to you. You should review the above cited regulations carefully before asserting a business confidentiality claim as certain categories of information are not properly the subject of such a claim.

The requirements of this letter are not subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. § 3501 et.seq.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Jon Knodel at (913) 551-7622 or Mike Bronoski at (913) 551-7291.

Sincerely

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Director

Air, RCRA, and Toxics Division

Enclosures:

Instructions and Definitions

Project List

Statement of Certification

cc:

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ENCLOSURE 1

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Provide a separate narrative response to each question and subpart of a question set forth in the Information Request.
- 2. Precede each answer with the number of the question to which it corresponds and at the end of each answer identify the person(s) that provided information that was used or considered in responding to that question, as well as each person that was consulted in the preparation of that response.
- 3. Indicate on each document produced in response to this Information Request, or in some other reasonable manner, the number of the question to which it corresponds.
- 4. When a response is provided in the form of a number, specify the units of measure of the number in a precise manner.
- 5. Where documents or information necessary for a response are neither in your possession nor available to you, indicate in your response why such documents or information is not available or in your possession and identify any source that either possesses or is likely to possess such information.

DEFINITIONS

All terms used in this Request for Information will have their ordinary meaning unless such terms are defined in the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7401, C.F.R. Part 52 (which incorporates the federally-approved Stated Implementation Plan), or other Clean Air Act implementing regulations. Reference is made to the EPA regulatory provisions only; however, you should apply the applicable federally-approved state provisions when appropriate. Definitional clarification is specified below.

- 1. The terms "document" and "documents" shall mean any object that records, stores, or presents information, and includes writings, memoranda, records, or information of any kind, formal or informal, whether wholly or partially handwritten or typed, whether in computer format, memory, or storage device, or in hardcopy, including any form or format of these. If in computer format or memory, each such document shall be provided in translation to a form useable and readable by EPA, with all necessary documentation and support. All documents in hard copy should also include attachments to or enclosures with any document.
- 2. The terms "immediately prior to" and "immediately following" shall mean conditions representative of operation during the period 6 months before and 6 months after the project.

- 3. The term "Steam Generating Unit" shall have the same meaning as defined at 40 C.F.R. 60.41(b)
- 4. The term "Coal-Fired Boiler Unit" shall mean all equipment used for the purpose of generating electricity including, but not limited to, coal handling facilities, boilers, ductwork, stacks, turbines, generators, and all ancillary equipment.
- 5. The term "PSD/NSR" shall mean the Prevention of Significant Deterioration and the New Source Review preconstruction permitting programs established at 40 C.F.R. 51 and 52 and any respective program established under a state implementation plan.
- 6. The term "MWHR" shall mean megawatt hours of electrical energy.
- 7. The term "KWHR" shall mean kilowatt hours of electrical energy.
- 8. The term "BTU" shall mean the British Thermal Unit of heat.

ENCLOSURE 2

JEC #1

1985, Turbine-Purchase and install modified compensators, approved 07/08/85.

1985, Turbine-Purchase materials and contract labor necessary to modify H.P. Turbines; the modification consists of replacing 8 rows of failure prone riveted shroud blading with integral shrouded blading, approved 07/08/85.

1990, WO 9954: Install concentric firing system II (CFS II) on Unit 1 boiler, Est. Comp. Date 10/90.

1992, WO 6525: Replace Unit #1 front reheater pendents, Completed 06/24/92.

1995, WR A01848: Replace superheater tubes in Unit 1, Completed 12/15/95.

1999, WR A05872: Upgrade Unit 1 economizer, Completed 03/29/99.

2003, Horizontal superheater, in document Budgeted Construction Projects for 2003.

JEC #2

1987, Rebuild scrubber, Approved 09/11/87.

1988, WO 5660: Purchase and install C-E Concentric Firing System for Unit 2, Est. Comp. Date 06/88.

1992, Turbine-Upgrade the steam turbines, Approved 01/31/92.

1994, WO 1837: Replace front reheater pendents in Unit 2, Completed 05/25/94.

1994, WO 3357: Replace lower portion of final superheater pendents in Unit 2, Completed 05/25/94.

1999, Upgrade Unit 2 Boiler economizer, Completed 04/27/99.

2000, Electrostatic precipitator-Rebuild of precipitators, Approved 10/18/00.

2000, Turbine-Upgrade all eight J2 LP inlet compensators, Approved 03/20/00.

2001, WR A08090: Install horizontal superheater in Unit 2 boiler, Authorized 03/28/01

2001, Install 3rd economizer bank in JEC2, Approved 03/20/01.

2003, Replace front reheater pendants in J2, Approved 06/17/03.

<u>JEC #3</u>

1989, WO 9934: Install Concentric Firing System II (CFSII) on Unit 3 boiler, Est. Completion Date 12/8.

1993, Turbine-Installation of turbine upgrade J3 (labor and material required to install J3 turbine upgrade purchased under separate work order), Approved 10/12/93.

1997, Unit 3 reheater tubes.

1997, WR A04002: Replace superheater tubes in Unit 3, Completed 05/28/97.

2000, WR A07928: Replace upper arch slope tubes, Acct. Dept. Approval 11/21/00.

2000, Replace U3 boiler tubing, planned for 2000, in 2000-2019 Long Range Plan.

2002, WR A08585: Horizontal superheater, Accounting department approval 01/29/02.

LEC 5

1980, Turbine-Purchase and install 2 rows 16" L-1 turbine blades on LP rotor on Lawrence 5 500 MW Westinghouse steam turbine SN LP 13A-3366, Approved 04/18/80.

1980, WO 7579: Improvements to Unit 5 scrubber, Accounting Department Approval 01/08/80.

1985, WO 6681: Purchase high pressure feedwater heaters, Approved 05/01/85.

1985, Turbine-Purchase L5 turbine parts, Approved 03/04/85.

1987, WO 2164: Modify existing scrubber crystallizer tank work on Unit 5, including removal of all suction screen, and associated washers and side tank mixers, Contract modification dated 06/12/87.

1987, WO 2167: Purchase and install fiberglass scrubber outlet duct Lawrence #5, Work Order Completion Report dated 06/30/87.

1989, WO 8052: Purchase and install L5 fans, rotors and housings, Est. Comp. Date 04/898.

1990, WO 1842: Purchase and installation of feedwater heaters 4 & 5 of Unit 5, Est. Comp Date 05/90.

- 1991, WO 7385: Replace L5 air preheater, repair rotors, and replace sootblowers, Approved 09/03/91.
- 1991, Turbine-Replace the low pressure steam turbine, Approved 12/06/91.
- 1993, Turbine-purchase and install replacement stationary blading for rows 1 thru 8 in the high pressure section and row 10 in the intermediate section on the IEC #5 turbine, Approved 04/14/93.
- 1993, WO 2367: Replace L5 fiberglass scrubber piping, Est. Completion Date 06/01/93.
- 1993, Replace waterwall tubing L5, planned for 1993, in 1991-2010 Long Term Operating Plan.
- 1993, Replace superheater L5, planned for 1993, in 1991-2010 Long Term Operating Plan.
- 1997, Turbine-Purchase and install new Unit 5 turbine extension shaft, Est. Completion Date 08/21/97.
- 1998, Turbine-Stationary and rotating blades, Approved 01/14/98.
- 1999, WR A06309: Purchase and install booster feed pumps on Unit 5, In service date 12/31/99.
- 1999, WR A06432: Replace SO2 scrubber chevron vanes, Acct. Dept. Approval 02/24/99.
- 1999, Replace waterwall tubing L5, planned for 1999, in 1991-2010 Long Term Operating Plan.
- 1999, Partial replacement superheater L5, planned for 1999, in 1991-2010 Long Term Operating Plan.
- 2000, WR A07472: Replace front reheater on Unit 5, Approved 05/28/00.
- 2000, WR A07075: Replace economizer on Unit 5, Est. Completion Date 05/31/00.
- 2001, WR A07472: Replace front heater on Unit 5, Completed 05/30/01.
- 2005, Partial replacement superheater L5, planned for 2005, in Long Term Operating Plan.
- 2005, Partial replacement reheater L5, planned for 2005, in Long Term Operating Plan.

ENCLOSURE 3

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment.

(Signature)	 	
(Title)		
(Date)	 _	

Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Clean Air Act Section 114 Request for Information was mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

James Haines President and CEO Westar Energy, Inc. 818 South Kansas Avenue Topeka, Kansas 66612.

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